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### **Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application.

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) ~~A device for delivering a medicated product into a bodily cavity, comprising a barrel member having a dispensing end, a proximal end, which is positioned opposite said dispensing end, and a bore, which extends through said barrel member, said bore being sized and shaped so as to receive a medicated product therein and including an opening formed in said dispensing end of said barrel member, said opening being sized and shaped so as to permit a medicated product received in said bore to be dispensed therethrough; and a plunger member movably extending through said bore of said barrel member for dispensing a medicated product from said bore through said opening, An assembly comprising a pharmaceutical product; and a device for delivering said pharmaceutical product to a bodily cavity, said device including a barrel member having a distal end, which includes an opening, a proximal end, which is positioned opposite said distal end, and a plurality of petals extending outwardly from said distal end in a generally axial direction, said petals cooperating with said opening so as to form a receptacle in said distal end of said barrel member for releasably receiving said pharmaceutical product, each of said petals~~

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including a base connected to said distal end of said barrel member and terminating at a truncated flexible tip, each of said petals including an intermediate section extending between a corresponding one of said bases and a corresponding one of said tips, each of said petals being sized and shaped such that the entire portion of each of said intermediate sections is spaced from said pharmaceutical product in a radially outward direction and such that only said tips engage said pharmaceutical product at a substantially central portion thereof when said pharmaceutical product is fully received in said receptacle, whereby a large section of the pharmaceutical product extends outwardly beyond said petals so as to facilitate the release of said pharmaceutical product from said receptacle, said tips of said petals forming a second opening that maintains a larger diameter than the smallest inner diameter along the length of said barrel member both before and after release of said pharmaceutical product, said barrel member having at least one substantially flexible section located between said depending distal end and said proximal end such that said barrel member is bendable about said at least one flexible section.

2. (Currently Amended) The device assembly of Claim 1, wherein said at least one flexible section is made from a substantially flexible material.

3. (Currently Amended) The device assembly of Claim 2, wherein said barrel member is made, in its entirety, from a substantially flexible material.

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4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ assembly of Claim ~~[[5]]~~ 1, wherein said opening is encircled by said petals.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ assembly of Claim ~~[[7]]~~ 6, wherein each of said petals is flexible such that said tips are expandable and contractible in a ~~substantially radial~~ said radially outward direction.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ assembly of Claim 3, wherein said flexible material is selected from a group consisting of a thermoplastic elastomer and a silicone.

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ assembly of Claim 9, wherein said thermoplastic elastomer is selected from the group consisting of a styrene ethylene

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butylenes copolymer, flexible polyvinyl chloride modified with plasticizers and ultra-low density polyethylene.

11. (Currently Amended) The device assembly of Claim 1, wherein said barrel member has at least one substantially rigid section located between said ~~depending~~ distal end and said proximal end such that said at least one rigid section is movable relative to said at least one flexible section.

12. (Currently Amended) The device assembly of Claim 11, wherein said at least one rigid section includes first and second sections, said at least one flexible section being located between said first and second sections such that said first section is movable relative to said second section.

13. (Withdrawn) The device of Claim 12, wherein said at least one flexible section includes a bellow section having a plurality of bellows positioned between said first and second sections of said barrel member.

14. (Currently Amended) The device assembly of Claim 1, ~~wherein said~~ further comprising a plunger member ~~has~~ having at least one substantially flexible section such that said plunger member is bendable about said at least one flexible section thereof.

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15. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ assembly of Claim 14, wherein each of said barrel member and said plunger member is made, in its entirety, from a flexible material.

16. (Withdrawn) The device of Claim 1, wherein said plunger member is made, in its entirety, from a non-flexible material.

17. (Withdrawn) The device of Claim 1, wherein said barrel member is sized and shaped so as to receive a non-solid medicated product.

18. (Withdrawn) The device of Claim 17, wherein said non-solid medicated product includes a medicated cream or ointment.

19. (Withdrawn) The device of Claim 18, further comprising sealing means for releasably sealing said opening of said barrel member so as to contain said non-solid product in said barrel member.

20. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ assembly of Claim 1, wherein said barrel member is sized and shaped so as to receive a solid medicated product.

21. (New) The assembly of Claim 1, wherein said petals are sized and

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shaped such that approximately half of said pharmaceutical product received in said receptacle extends outwardly beyond said tips.

22. (New) A device for delivering pharmaceutical products or the like to a bodily cavity, comprising a barrel member having a dispensing end, which includes an opening, a proximal end, which is located opposite said dispensing end, a first section which extends from said proximal end and which has an end remote from said proximal end of said barrel member, and a second section, which extends from said end of said first section in a generally axial direction and terminates at said dispensing end of said barrel member, said barrel member having a first diameter at an interface between said first and second sections and a second diameter at said dispensing end of said barrel member, said second section having a flared shape such that said second diameter is greater than said first diameter, said barrel member having a plurality of petals extending outwardly from said dispensing end in said axial direction, said petals cooperating with said opening so as to form a receptacle in said dispensing end of said barrel member releasably receiving a pharmaceutical product, each of said petals having a truncated flexible tip, said petals curving inwardly in a generally radial direction as they extend in said axial direction from said dispensing end of said barrel member to said tips, and said tips sized and shaped so as to engage a substantially central portion of the pharmaceutical product such that when the pharmaceutical product is fully received in said receptacle, a large section of the pharmaceutical product extends outwardly beyond said petals so as to facilitate the release of a pharmaceutical product

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received in said receptacle, and wherein said tips of said petals form a second opening that maintains a larger diameter than the first diameter at the interface between said first and second sections both before and after release of said pharmaceutical product, said barrel member having at least one substantially flexible section located between said dispensing end and said proximal end such that said barrel member is bendable about said at least one flexible section.

23. (New) The device of Claim 22, wherein said petals engage a pharmaceutical product only at said tips when the pharmaceutical product is fully inserted into said receptacle.